

python for Computational Problem
Solving - pCPS - Control Structures
Lecture Slides - Class #13 to Class#14

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# python for Computational Problem Solving Syllabus

#### Unit I: Computational Problem Solving - 12 Hours

Limits of Computational Problem Solving - Computer Algorithm - Computer Hardware - Digital Computer - Operating System-Limits of IC technology - Computer Software - Syntax, semantics and program translation, Introduction to Python Programming Language, IDLE Python Development Environment, Output function - variables, types and id, input function, operators and expressions, Control structures.

T1: 1.1 - 1.7

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T1: 3.1 - 3.4

#### ▼ 3 Control Structures

MOTIVATION

**FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS** 

- 3.1 What Is a Control Structure?
- 3.2 Boolean Expressions (Conditions)
- 3.3 Selection Control
- 3.4 Iterative Control



### pCPS 3.4 Iterative Control

- An <u>iterative</u> control statement is a control statement providing the <u>repeated</u> execution of a <u>set</u> of <u>instructions</u>.
- An iterative control structure is a set of instructions and the iterative control statement(s) <u>controlling</u> their execution.

 Because of their repeated execution, iterative control structures are commonly referred to as "<u>loops</u>."



```
Iterative Control examples
n = int(input('How many First n Natural Numbers you want me to sum ? '))
Counter = 1
Sum = 0
while(Counter<=n):</pre>
    print('Counter', Counter, sep='=', end='\t')
    Sum=Sum+Counter
    print('Sum',Sum,sep='=')
    Counter+=1
print('The Summation of First {0:5d} natural numbers is {1:10d}'.format(n,Sum))
How many First n Natural Numbers you want me to sum ? 10
Counter=1
                Sum=1
Counter=2
                Sum=3
Counter=3
                Sum=6
                Sum=10
Counter=4
Counter=5
               Sum=15
Counter=6
                Sum=21
                Sum=28
Counter=7
               Sum=36
Counter=8
Counter=9
            Sum=45
Counter=10
                Sum=55
The Summation of First
                          10 natural numbers is
                                                         55
```



```
Iterative Control examples
n = int(input('How many First n Odd Numbers you want me to print ? '))
Counter = 0
0dd = 0
print('\nFirst {0:3d} odd Numbers'.format(n))
while(Counter<=n-1):</pre>
    print(Odd,end=' ')
    Odd=2*Counter+1
    Counter+=1
How many First n Odd Numbers you want me to print ? 100
First 100 odd Numbers
3 145 147 149 151 153 155 157 159 161 163 165 167 169 171 173 175 177 179 181 183 185 187 189 191 193 195 197
```



```
Iterative Control examples
# range Demonstration
Ranges = int(input('Different Ranges needed'))
Counter = 0
Steps = 1
while (Counter <=Ranges):
    print(range(0, Counter, Steps))
    Counter+=1
Different Ranges needed10
range(0, 0)
range(0, 1)
range(0, 2)
range(0, 3)
range(0, 4)
range(0, 5)
range(0, 6)
range(0, 7)
range(0, 8)
range(0, 9)
range(0,
         10)
```



```
# Iterative Control examples
# range Demonstration
Ranges = int(input('Different Ranges needed'))
Counter = 0
Steps = 2
while (Counter <=Ranges):</pre>
    print(range(0, Counter, Steps))
    Counter+=1
Different Ranges needed10
range(0, 0, 2)
range(0, 1, 2)
range(0, 2, 2)
range(0, 3, 2)
range(0, 4, 2)
range(0, 5, 2)
range(0, 6, 2)
range(0, 7, 2)
range(0, 8, 2)
range(0, 9, 2)
range(0, 10, 2)
```



```
: n = int(input('Input ? '))
  Counter = 0
  while(Counter<=range(0,n)):</pre>
      print(range(Counter,n))
      Counter+=1
  Input ? 10
                                             Traceback (most recent call last)
  TypeError
  /tmp/ipykernel 15742/1233177986.py in <module>
        1 n = int(input('Input ? '))
        2 Counter = 0
  ----> 3 while(Counter<=range(0,n)):
              print(range(Counter,n))
              Counter+=1
  TypeError: '<=' not supported between instances of 'int' and 'range'
```



```
n = int(input('Input ? '))
Counter = 0
while Counter in range(0,n):
    print(Counter, end=' ')
    Counter = Counter + 1
    2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41
42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80
81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99
```



# pCPS 3.4.2 Input Error Checking

 The while statement is well suited for input error checking in a program.

```
: Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
 Attempt = 1
 Flag = True
 while(Option!='Yes'and Attempt<5):</pre>
      print('Attempt#',Attempt)
      Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
      Attempt=Attempt+1
 if (Attempt<=5) and (Option=='Yes'):</pre>
      print('Sucessful Attempt at #',Attempt)
 else:
      print('Possible Malicious Attempt')
 To Proceed Yes / No::Try
 Attempt# 1
 To Proceed Yes / No::Try
 Attempt# 2
  To Proceed Yes / No::Yes
  Sucessful Attempt at # 3
```

```
Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
Attempt = 1
Flag = True
while(Option!='Yes'and Attempt<5):</pre>
    print('Attempt#',Attempt)
    Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
    Attempt=Attempt+1
if (Attempt<=5) and (Option=='Yes'):</pre>
    print('Sucessful Attempt at #',Attempt)
else:
    print('Possible Malicious Attempt')
To Proceed Yes / No::Try
Attempt# 1
To Proceed Yes / No::Try
Attempt# 2
To Proceed Yes / No::Try
Attempt# 3
To Proceed Yes / No::Try
Attempt# 4
To Proceed Yes / No::Try
Possible Malicious Attempt
```



## pCPS 3.4.3 Infinite Loops

- An <u>infinite</u> loop is an iterative control structure that <u>never terminates</u> or eventually <u>terminates</u> with a <u>system error</u>.
- <u>Infinite loops</u> are generally the <u>result</u> of <u>programming errors</u>.

```
In [*]: Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
        Attempt = 1
        Flag = True
        while(Option!='Yes'and Attempt<5):</pre>
            print('Attempt#',Attempt)
            Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
        if (Attempt<=5) and (Option=='Yes'):</pre>
            print('Sucessful Attempt at #',Attempt)
        else:
            print('Possible Malicious Attempt')
        To Proceed Yes / No::1
        Attempt# 1
        To Proceed Yes / No::2
        Attempt# 1
        To Proceed Yes / No::4
        Attempt# 1
        To Proceed Yes / No::4
        Attempt# 1
        To Proceed Yes / No::5
        Attempt# 1
        To Proceed Yes / No::
        Attempt# 1
```

 \* indicates infinite loop since Attempt is not modified with in the loop for a non Yes option



## pCPS 3.4.4 Definite vs. Indefinite Loops

A <u>definite</u> loop is a program loop in which the <u>number</u> of <u>times</u> the loop will <u>iterate</u> can be determined <u>before</u> the <u>loop</u> is <u>executed</u>.

```
# Demonstration of definite loops
n = int(input('How many times you want me to loop (Enter >=0) ? '))
Loop = 0
Sum = 0
while(Loop<n):</pre>
    Loop+=1
print('Looped ', Loop,' Times')
How many times you want me to loop (Enter >=0) ? 0
Looped 0 Times
```

```
# Demonstration of definite loops
n = int(input('How many times you want me to loop (Enter >=0) ? '))
Loop = 0
Sum = 0
while(Loop<n):
    Loop+=1
print('Looped ', Loop,' Times')
How many times you want me to loop (Enter >=0) ? 10
Looped 10 Times
```



### pCPS 3.4.4 Definite vs. Indefinite Loops

An <u>indefinite</u> loop is a program loop in which the number of times that the loop will iterate <u>cannot</u> be <u>determined</u> before the <u>loop</u> is executed.

```
# Demonstration of indefinite loops
Loop = 0
Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
Attempt = 1
Flag = True
while(Option!='No'):
   Loop=Loop+1
   Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
print('Looped {0} number of times'.format(Loop))
To Proceed Yes / No::Yes
To Proceed Yes / No::Yes
To Proceed Yes / No::Yes
To Proceed Yes / No::No
Looped 3 number of times
```

```
# Demonstration of indefinite loops
Loop = 0
Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
Attempt = 1
Flag = True
while(Option!='No'):
    Loop=Loop+1
    Option = input('To Proceed Yes / No::')
print('Looped {0} number of times'.format(Loop))
To Proceed Yes / No::Yes
To Proceed Yes / No::No
Looped 5 number of times
```



#### pCPS 3.4.5 Boolean Flags and Indefinite Loops

 Often the condition of a given while loop is denoted by a <u>single</u> Boolean variable, called a Boolean <u>flag</u>.

```
Loop=0
Flag = True
while(Flag):
    Loop+=1
    print('Loop#',Loop)
    if (Loop>=10):
        Flag=False
Loop# 1
Loop# 2
Loop# 3
Loop# 4
Loop# 5
Loop# 6
Loop# 7
Loop# 8
Loop# 9
Loop# 10
```

```
Loop=0
Flag = False
while(Flag):
    Loop+=1
    print('Loop#',Loop)
    if (Loop>=10):
        Flag=False
```





# **End of Unit 1 THANK YOU**



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